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COLD STORAGE REPORT

AS OF SEPTEMBER 1, 1939

Continued increases in stocks of manufactured dairy products took place during August. September 1 stocks of creamery butter were nearly 8 million pounds above those on hand August 1 but more than 28 million pounds less than on September 1, 1938. Commercial holdings were increased during August by close to 6 million pounds. Dairy Products Marketing Association stocks were increased by 3,708,000 and Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation and relief holdings were decreased by 1,751,000 pounds. The August 1939 into-storage movement of nearly 8 million pounds compares with approximately 28 million during August last year. The 5-year (1934-38) average August into-storage movement is 13,362,000 pounds.

Total stocks of all varieties of cheese were increased during August by more than 7 million pounds, compared with a net increase of close to 16 million pounds during August last year. The 5-year average increase is 9,655,000 pounds.

The seasonal out-of-storage movement of eggs opened during August, and September 1 stocks showed a decrease from August 1 of 428,000 cases of shell and 8,451,000 pounds of frozen egg meats. September 1 holdings were 6,596,000 cases and 135,908,000 pounds, or a total case equivalent of 10,479,000. This compares with a total case equivalent a year earlier of 9,514,000 and the 5-year average of 10,864,000 cases.

Stocks of frozen fruits, quick-frozen and cold-packed, were increased during August by 7,839,000 pounds. This compares with a decrease during August a year earlier of 1,518,000 pounds.

Frozen vegetable stocks were increased during August 1939 by 6,103,000 pounds. This quantity compares with an increase of 15,501,000 pounds for August 1938.

Total frozen poultry holdings were reduced by 1,129,000 pounds. A year earlier for the same period there was an increase in stocks of 2,301,000 and the 5-year average also shows an increase of 1,411,000 pounds.

Frozen and cured meat stocks were reduced by more than 95 million pounds. This quantity compares with a decrease during August 1938 of slightly over 46 million pounds. The 5-year average reduction for the same period is 53 million pounds. September 1 stocks exceeded those of a year earlier by 32 million pounds but were 55 million pounds below the 5-year September 1 average.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

FROZEN FRUITS

Total stocks of all frozen fruits on September 1 were reported as 139,975,000 pounds, an increase over August 1 of 7,839,000 pounds. Of the September 1 holdings, 25,985,000 pounds were reported as unclassified. Reports indicate that 27,026,000 pounds were in small containers of less than 30 pounds capacity and 112,949,000 pounds were in bulk or containers of 30 pounds and over.

FROZEN VEGETABLES

Stocks of frozen vegetables were increased during August by 6,103,000 pounds. Holdings on September 1 exceeded those of a year earlier by 8,037,000 pounds. Of the total quantity on hand, 4,199,000 pounds were reported as unclassified. All varieties of vegetables showed some increase with the exception of asparagus and spinach. The outstanding increases were Lima Beans with 2,577,000 pounds and sweet corn, 2,935,000 pounds.

Contents of September 1 Cold Storage Report

Separate tables appearing in this report show United States stocks on hand on September 1, this year compared with previous periods, for the following groups of commodities:

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FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

(See table on page 7 for September 1, 1939, holdings by geographic divisions)

Commodity	Sept. 1, 5-yr. av. 1934-38	Sept. 1, 1938	Aug. 1, 1939	Sept. 1, 1939
- Thousands -				
FRUITS, FROZEN				
Blackberries.....pounds	Data	5,827	2,004	5,404
Blueberries....."	for	4,732	2,621	2,148
Cherries....."	these	27,880	22,021	29,314
Logan and similar berries....."	earlier	3,851	4,474	3,884
Raspberries....."	years	13,180	11,532	10,986
Strawberries....."	not	44,638	51,001	47,114
Other fruits....."	compara-	51,295	14,905	15,140
Classification not reported....."	ble	1/	23,578	25,985
TOTAL....."	104,770	151,403	132,136	139,975
VEGETABLES, FROZEN				
Asparagus.....pounds	His- torical data not avail- able	4,277	6,472	6,430
Beans, Lima....."		9,676	8,087	10,664
Beans, snap....."		5,426	6,312	6,885
Broccoli, green....."		626	941	991
Corn, sweet....."		3,863	4,462	7,397
Peas, green....."		27,715	28,040	28,115
Spinach....."		2,157	2,999	2,737
Other vegetables....."		7,612	1,911	1,971
Classification not reported....."		1/	4,062	4,199
TOTAL....."		61,352	63,286	69,389

1/ Included under "other".

FROZEN FRUITS: HOLDINGS IN LARGE AND SMALL CONTAINERS
AUGUST 1 AND SEPTEMBER 1, 1939

Commodity	In small containers (Less than 30 lb. capacity)		In bulk or large containers (30 lb. or greater capacity)	
	August 1	September 1	August 1	September 1
- Thousand pounds -				
Blackberries.....	191	185	1,813	5,219
Blueberries.....	714	567	1,907	1,581
Cherries.....	1,127	1,252	20,894	28,062
Logan and similar berries..	942	679	3,532	3,205
Raspberries.....	2,173	1,697	9,359	9,289
Strawberries.....	16,353	15,809	34,648	31,305
Other fruits.....	4,831	3,275	10,074	11,865
Classification not reported	2,170	3,562	21,408	22,423
TOTAL.....	28,501	27,026	103,635	112,949

Creamery butter stocks were increased by 7,910,000 pounds during August. Commercial stocks were increased by 5,953,000 pounds; Dairy Products Marketing Association by 3,708,000; but Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation and relief holdings were decreased by 1,751,000 pounds.

Total butter holdings were below those of September 1 last year by 28,159,000 pounds but in excess of the 5-year (1934-38) September 1 average by 27,980,000 pounds. Only on two occasions of record have September 1 butter stocks been heavier than at this time. In 1933 and 1938, September 1 holdings were 175,476,000 and 201,252,000 pounds, respectively. Dairy Products Marketing Association stocks were 46,798,000 pounds less than on September 1 last year, and Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation and relief stocks were 13,017,000 pounds greater.

American cheese holdings were increased during August by 6,156,000 pounds. Total stocks of all varieties of cheese were 25,363,000 pounds less than on September 1 last year but were 3,128,000 pounds in excess of the 5-year average.

Stocks of eggs, 6,596,000 cases of shell and 135,908,000 pounds of frozen, exceeded those of a year ago by 654,000 cases and 10,890,000 pounds of frozen eggs, and were 734,000 cases below the 5-year average but 12,214,000 pounds of frozen in excess of the 5-year average.

The out-of-storage movement of frozen poultry noted for July continued during August with net withdrawals of 1,129,000 pounds. During August 1938 there was a net into-storage movement of 2,301,000 pounds. The 5-year average net in-movement is 1,411,000 pounds.

(See table on page 8 for September 1, 1939, holdings by geographic divisions)

Commodity	Sept. 1, 5-yr. av. 1934-38	Sept. 1, 1938	Aug. 1, 1939	Sept. 1, 1939
- Thousands -				
CREAM				
Forty percent.....40-qt. cans	215	342	202	173
Twenty percent..... "	9	13	1	-
BUTTER				
Creamery, total.....pounds.....	145,113	201,252	165,183	173,093
DPMA holdings..... "		67,505	16,999	20,707
FSCC & Relief holdings.. "		590	15,358	13,607
Commercial stocks..... "		133,157	132,826	138,779
Packing stock..... "	586	219	69	101
CHEESE				
American..... "	103,986	127,862	97,448	103,604
Swiss including block..... "	6,097	6,910	4,661	6,196
Brick and Munster..... "	1,201	913	1,577	1,489
Limburger..... "	1,155	1,214	1,813	1,761
All other varieties..... "	9,318	13,349	12,099	11,835
TOTAL CHEESE..... "	121,757	150,248	117,598	124,885
EGGS				
Shell.....cases.....	7,330	5,942	7,024	6,596
Frozen.....pounds.....	123,694	125,018	144,359	135,908
Frozen 1/.....equivalent cases.....	3,534	3,572	4,125	3,883
TOTAL EGGS 2/.....cases.....	10,864	9,514	11,149	10,479
FROZEN POULTRY				
Broilers.....pounds.....	9,651	9,060	7,494	8,923
Fryers..... "	2,356	2,550	2,490	2,519
Roasters..... "	4,266	5,065	5,963	4,886
Fowls..... "	9,834	8,819	12,925	12,269
Turkeys..... "	7,957	5,711	14,211	10,808
Ducks..... "	6,893	11,260	7,849	10,350
Miscellaneous poultry..... "	12,067	12,476	13,986	14,034
TOTAL FROZEN POULTRY.. "	53,024	54,941	64,918	63,789

1/ Frozen eggs are converted on the basis of 35 pounds to the case.

2/ SPECIAL NOTE: 80 percent of total frozen eggs reported as of September 1, 1939, were classified as follows: Whites - 32 percent; Yolks - 21 percent; and Mixed - 47 percent.

MEATS AND LARD

Stocks of all frozen and cured meats, which totaled 463,633,000 pounds on September 1, were 32,361,000 pounds heavier than those of a year earlier but 55,210,000 below the 5-year (1934-38) average for September 1.

Only a slight change occurred in holdings of frozen and cured beef, indicating a decrease of 309,000 pounds.

Frozen and cured pork stocks, totaling 361,626,000 pounds, were 26,849,000 pounds heavier than those on September 1 last year but 36,469,000 pounds less than the 5-year average for this date.

Reports indicate a heavy out-movement of lard. Withdrawals during August totaled 27,670,000 pounds. This compares with 7,057,000 pounds withdrawn from storage during August 1938 and 21,926,000 pounds the 5-year average out-movement in August. Stocks, which totaled 112,145,000 pounds, were 4,475,000 pounds below those on September 1, 1938, and 1,048,000 below the September 1 average.

(See table on page 8 for September 1, 1939, holdings by geographic divisions)

Commodity	Sept. 1, 5-yr.av. 1934-38	Sept. 1, 1938	Aug. 1, 1939	Sept. 1, 1939
- Thousand pounds -				
BEEF				
Frozen.....	38,155	21,820	22,157	22,726
In process of cure.....	10,968	10,383	7,943	7,091
Cured.....	5,011	2,264	3,356	3,330
TOTAL BEEF.....	54,134	34,467	33,456	33,147
PORK				
Frozen.....	96,596	82,536	155,129	110,768
Dry salt in process of cure.....	35,037	41,882	54,129	40,346
Dry salt cured.....	35,182	39,215	38,649	33,588
Pickled in process of cure.....	142,919	108,115	130,269	113,283
Pickled cured.....	88,361	63,029	76,590	63,641
TOTAL PORK.....	398,095	334,777	454,766	361,626
LAMB AND MUTTON				
Frozen.....	1,952	1,861	1,893	2,390
TRIMMINGS AND EDIBLE OFFAL				
Frozen and cured.....	64,662	60,167	69,013	66,470
TOTAL MEATS.....	518,843	431,272	559,128	463,633
LARD.....	113,193	116,620	139,815	112,145

HOLDINGS OF SPECIFIED COMMODITIES, BY STATES, SEPTEMBER 1, 1939

State	Cream (40-gt. cans)	Butter Lbs.	American cheese Lbs.	Eggs Cases	Frozen eggs Lbs.	Total poultry Lbs.
- Thousands -						
Massachusetts.....	4	5,287	3,119	115	2,635	2,959
Other States.....		894	446	23	803	187
NEW ENGLAND.....		6,181	3,565	138	3,438	3,146
New York.....	76	16,604	12,616	633	9,296	16,459
New Jersey.....	2	25,616	3,702	478	7,631	8,355
Pennsylvania.....	7	5,762	1,736	325	5,448	2,707
MIDDLE ATLANTIC...		47,982	18,054	1,436	22,375	27,521
Ohio.....	13	5,680	832	368	6,260	1,135
Indiana.....		1,999	232	53	2,674	896
Illinois.....	14	54,930	5,334	1,818	25,074	10,933
Michigan.....		5,124	1,248	244	2,056	1,157
Wisconsin.....	8	1,838	53,720	165	1,626	331
EAST N. CENTRAL...		69,471	61,366	2,648	37,690	14,452
Minnesota.....	12	9,268	1,112	221	4,231	1,229
Iowa.....		5,074	33	131	4,946	520
Missouri.....	33	5,523	2,314	449	22,637	4,873
Nebraska.....		5,680	388	116	4,799	2,439
Kansas.....		1,870	492	184	6,503	839
Dakotas.....		2,062	-	5	107	1
WEST N. CENTRAL...		29,477	4,339	1,106	43,223	9,901
SOUTH ATLANTIC....		1,544	4,088	147	2,895	1,188
Kentucky.....		1,519	444	23	1,363	1,725
Tennessee.....		1,419	584	150	1,989	215
Alabama & Mississippi.		570	494	32	333	50
EAST S. CENTRAL...		3,508	1,522	205	3,685	1,990
Oklahoma.....		1,499	83	51	6,342	136
Texas.....		2,042	1,737	114	6,610	215
Arkansas & Louisiana..		270	307	26	1,816	73
WEST S. CENTRAL...		3,811	2,127	191	14,768	424
Colorado.....		1,292	644	78	872	154
Other States.....		1,244	608	58	161	116
MOUNTAIN.....		2,536	1,252	136	1,033	270
Washington.....		3,311	786	124	1,509	1,023
Oregon.....		313	1,171	48	401	751
California.....		4,959	5,334	417	4,891	3,123
PACIFIC.....		8,583	7,291	589	6,801	4,897
Other states, combined for cream only.....	4					
UNITED STATES.....	173	173,093	103,604	6,596	135,908	63,789

COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS, SEPTEMBER 1, 1939, BY GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS

Commodity	New England	Middle Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South Atlantic	East South Central	West South Central	Mountain	Pacific	Total
<u>FRUITS, FROZEN</u>										
<u>In small containers</u>										
Blackberries.....pounds	2	42	55	-	5	-	9	-	72	185
Blueberries....."	40	347	143	10	23	-	1	-	-	567
Cherries....."	165	622	136	111	145	-	6	9	57	1,252
Logan and similar berries....."	12	68	123	10	14	-	1	-	450	679
Raspberries....."	128	218	372	130	68	-	14	-	763	1,697
Strawberries....."	1,456	2,077	1,810	386	2,111	60	601	23	7,285	15,809
Other fruits....."	45	1,922	701	134	581	203	25	-	3,226	6,837
<u>In bulk or large containers</u>										
Blackberries.....pounds	25	453	279	80	503	107	48	-	3,724	5,219
Blueberries....."	216	691	243	327	66	37	1	-	-	1,581
Cherries....."	258	19,299	6,101	715	215	38	19	167	1,250	28,062
Logan and similar berries....."	19	84	154	121	-	-	2	-	2,825	3,205
Raspberries....."	1,369	2,129	1,468	629	214	41	12	-	3,427	9,289
Strawberries....."	1,357	6,386	4,409	3,386	1,846	321	1,105	139	12,356	31,305
Other fruits....."	324	15,093	4,573	501	1,360	326	591	298	11,222	34,288
<u>Total, all containers</u>										
Blackberries.....pounds	27	495	334	80	508	107	57	-	3,796	5,404
Blueberries....."	256	1,038	386	337	89	40	2	-	-	2,148
Cherries....."	423	19,921	6,237	826	360	39	25	176	1,307	29,314
Logan and similar berries....."	31	152	277	131	14	1	3	-	3,275	3,884
Raspberries....."	1,497	2,347	1,840	759	282	45	26	-	4,190	10,986
Strawberries....."	2,813	8,463	6,219	3,772	3,957	381	1,706	162	19,641	47,114
Other fruits....."	309	17,015	5,274	635	1,941	529	616	298	14,448	41,125
<u>VEGETABLES, FROZEN</u>										
Asparagus.....pounds	88	3,156	622	405	105	19	69	3	1,963	6,430
Beans, Lima....."	379	8,321	1,036	239	445	31	76	5	132	10,664
Beans, snap....."	82	5,270	422	84	295	2	39	7	684	6,885
Broccoli, green....."	54	600	98	22	19	9	13	1	175	991
Corn, sweet....."	299	2,593	1,067	822	123	25	43	7	2,418	7,397
Peas, green....."	1,423	12,234	3,337	1,617	509	40	110	25	8,820	28,115
Spinach....."	142	1,334	846	55	67	15	22	7	249	2,737
Other vegetables....."	85	2,414	421	208	363	8	149	686	1,836	6,170

COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS, SEPTEMBER 1, 1939, BY GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS (CONT'D.)

Commodity	New England	Middle Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South Atlantic	East South Central	West South Central	Mountain	Pacific	Total
- Thousands -										
DAIRY PRODUCTS										
Cream, Forty percent.....40-qt. cans	4	85	36	46	1	-	1	-	-	173
Cream, Twenty percent....."	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Butter, creamery 1/.....pounds.....	6,181	47,982	69,471	29,477	1,544	3,508	3,811	2,536	8,583	173,093
Butter, packing stock....."	-	-	-	80	1	17	3	-	-	101
Cheese, American....."	3,565	18,054	61,366	4,339	4,088	1,522	2,127	1,252	7,291	103,604
Cheese, Swiss including block....."	1	941	4,681	20	55	26	60	86	326	6,196
Cheese, Brick and Munster....."	-	31	1,138	93	33	2	108	78	6	1,489
Cheese, Limburger....."	-	305	1,398	29	1	1	2	1	24	1,761
Cheese, all other varieties....."	299	6,553	1,648	590	212	1,307	133	253	840	11,835
Eggs, shell.....cases.....	138	1,436	2,648	1,106	147	205	191	136	589	6,596
Eggs, frozen.....pounds.....	3,438	22,375	37,690	43,223	2,895	3,685	14,768	1,033	6,801	135,908
FROZEN POULTRY										
Broilers.....pounds.....	239	1,685	1,593	4,544	53	96	15	37	661	8,923
Fryers....."	82	312	1,374	543	49	21	7	8	123	2,519
Roasters....."	696	1,427	2,002	282	272	25	7	4	171	4,886
Fowls....."	276	5,777	3,534	1,330	204	161	90	121	776	12,269
Turkeys....."	665	5,134	1,180	664	275	201	164	42	2,483	10,808
Ducks....."	1,004	7,993	883	127	118	40	10	4	171	10,350
Miscellaneous poultry....."	184	5,193	3,886	2,411	217	1,446	131	54	512	14,034
MEATS and LARD										
Beef, frozen.....pounds.....	1,123	5,123	7,188	3,660	879	330	1,502	388	2,533	22,726
Beef, in process of cure....."	13	1,509	3,281	1,864	136	39	78	51	120	7,091
Beef, cured....."	9	672	1,963	599	16	-	4	8	59	3,330
Pork, frozen....."	1,167	8,227	34,402	54,938	4,101	2,138	2,675	1,167	1,953	110,768
Pork, dry salt in process of cure.."	231	1,254	15,487	19,825	1,631	766	800	207	145	40,346
Pork, dry salt cured....."	131	655	10,704	17,911	2,116	268	853	378	572	33,588
Pork, pickled in process of cure..."	3,913	8,206	42,093	45,417	2,896	1,998	3,336	1,686	3,738	113,283
Pork, pickled cured....."	1,346	2,655	26,291	27,429	1,329	351	737	997	2,506	63,641
Lamb and mutton, frozen....."	36	1,030	536	272	95	40	185	22	174	2,390
Frozen and cured trimmings and edible offal....."	859	9,376	17,129	29,285	4,346	938	1,860	1,071	1,606	66,470
Lard....."	659	4,175	85,186	18,573	870	221	1,150	222	1,089	112,145

1/ Includes DEMA, FSOC, and relief holdings, as well as commercial stocks.